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ARTESIA FREEWAY (SR-91) LANE AND RAMP CLOSURES (UPDATE)

LOS ANGELES- The California Department of Transportation (Caltrans) announces the following lane and ramp closures for the High Occupancy Vehicle (HOV or carpool) lane reconstruction and pavement replacement project on the westbound Artesia Freeway (SR-91), from the Harbor Freeway (SR-110) to Downey Avenue in Bellflower. The following overnight closure schedule will be in effect, weather permitting. At least one lane will remain open to traffic in each direction at all times. Ramp closures will be staged so that no two consecutive ramps are closed at the same time.

Eastbound SR-91

Tuesday, February 20, 2007 through Friday, February 23, 2007

- 7 p.m. until 7 a.m. Up to four regular use lanes between Harbor Freeway (SR-110) and Downey Avenue.
- 7 p.m. until 7 a.m. HOV (Carpool) Lane between the Harbor Freeway (SR-110) and Downey Avenue.
- 8 p.m. until 6 a.m. Connectors to the north- and southbound Long Beach Freeway (I-710).
- 9 p.m. until 6 a.m. Wilmington Avenue on-ramp.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. Acacia Avenue off-ramp.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. Alameda Street on- and off-ramps.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. Santa Fe Avenue on- and off-ramps.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. Long Beach Boulevard on- and off-ramps.

Westbound SR-91

Tuesday, February 20, 2007 through Friday, February 23, 2007

- 6 p.m. until 6 a.m. Up to four regular use lanes between Downey Avenue the Harbor Freeway (SR-110).
- 6 p.m. until 6 a.m. HOV (Carpool) lane between Downey Avenue and the Harbor Freeway (SR-110).

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- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. Long Beach Boulevard on- and off-ramps.
- 7 p.m. until 5 a.m. Alameda Street/Santa Fe Avenue off-ramp.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. Acacia Avenue on-ramp.
- 7 p.m. until 6 a.m. Wilmington Avenue on- and off-ramps.

SR-91 is one of the most heavily traveled freeways in Los Angeles County and was also one of the first freeways to offer carpool lanes. As a result of heavy use, the asphalt pavement has experienced extensive wear. New pavement will improve safety and mobility for motorists. Completion of the entire project, which covers SR-91 from Downey Avenue to Vermont Avenue, is fall 2008.

Caltrans advises motorists to "Slow For The Cone Zone."

